- (2) Between a nonemergency exit window seat and the fuselage, if the cane is flat on the floor; or
- (3) Beneath any two nonemergency exit window seats, if the cane is flat on the floor; or
- (4) In accordance with any other method approved by the Administrator.

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#### §121.590 Use of certificated land airports.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section or unless otherwise authorized by the Administrator, no air carrier, and no pilot being used by an air carrier may, in the conduct of operations governed by this part, operate an airplane designed for at least 31 passenger seats into a land airport in any State of the United States, the District of Columbia, or any territory or possession of the United States, unless that airport is certificated under part 139 of this chapter. However, an air carrier may designate and use as a required alternate airport for departure or destination an airport that is not certificated under part 139 of this chapter.
- (b) Certificate holders conducting passenger-carrying operations with airplanes designed for less than 31 passenger seats may operate those airplanes into airports not certificated under part 139 of this chapter if the following conditions are met:
- (1) The airport is adequate for the proposed operation, considering such items as size, surface, obstructions, and lighting.
- (2) For an airplane carrying passengers at night, the pilot may not take off from, or land at, an airport unless—
- (i) The pilot has determined the wind direction from an illuminated wind direction indicator or local ground communications or, in the case of takeoff, that pilot's personal observations; and
- (ii) The limits of the area to be used for landing or takeoff are clearly shown by boundary or runway marker lights. If the area to be used for takeoff or landing is marked by flare pots or

lanterns, their use must be approved by the Administrator.

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## Subpart U—Dispatching and Flight Release Rules

SOURCE: Docket No. 6258, 29 FR 19222, Dec. 31, 1964, unless otherwise noted.

#### §121.591 Applicability.

This subpart prescribes dispatching rules for domestic and flag operations and flight release rules for supplemental operations.

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### §121.593 Dispatching authority: Domestic operations.

Except when an airplane lands at an intermediate airport specified in the original dispatch release and remains there for not more than one hour, no person may start a flight unless an aircraft dispatcher specifically authorizes that flight.

#### §121.595 Dispatching authority: Flag operations.

- (a) No person may start a flight unless an aircraft dispatcher specifically authorizes that flight.
- (b) No person may continue a flight from an intermediate airport without redispatch if the airplane has been on the ground more than six hours.

# §121.597 Flight release authority: Supplemental operations.

- (a) No person may start a flight under a flight following system without specific authority from the person authorized by the operator to exercise operational control over the flight.
- (b) No person may start a flight unless the pilot in command or the person authorized by the operator to exercise operational control over the flight has executed a flight release setting forth the conditions under which the flights will be conducted. The pilot in command may sign the flight release only when he and the person authorized by the operator to exercise operational control believe that the flight can be made with safety.